

REMARKS

A. Status of the Application

Claims 1-2 are pending. Claims 1-2 are allowed.

B. Objection to the Drawings

The Examiner has noted that the drawings are objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a) for failing to provide a sufficient showing of the fabric layer 58 as described in the specification.

In response, the drawings have been amended and replacement drawings adding reference 58 in FIGs. 2 and 3 are submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully assert that, contrary to that indicated by the Examiner in the March 7, 2005, Office Action, reference 58 appeared previously in FIG. 4 only, not in FIG. 3.

Replacement drawings are attached to this Response under Tab A.

Withdrawal of the objection to the Drawings is respectfully requested.

C. Claim Objections

The Examiner has noted a minor informality in original claim 1, and has kindly suggested a correction to more appropriately define the location of the fabric. In response, claim 1, line 10, has been amended to delete the word "in" and insert the word --into -- therefor.

In light of this amendment, Applicants respectfully assert that claims 1-2 remain in condition for allowance.

D. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has kindly noted that original claims 1-2 are allowable over the prior art of record.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that these remarks fully respond to all outstanding matters for this application. Applicants respectfully request the objections to the drawings be withdrawn and the issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance for these claims.

Should the Examiner believe that a personal discussion would be helpful, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at 512/536-3005 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWINGS

The drawings have been amended to comply with the deficiencies pointed out by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed March 7, 2005. Replacement drawings are attached to this Response under Tab A. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d), each drawing sheet has been labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner approve the drawings as amended.